
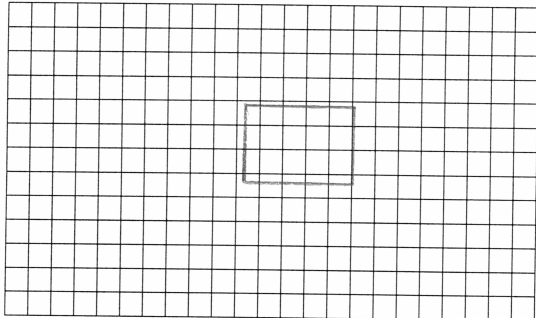


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

NOT FOR FIELD USE			
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Date _____			

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)		COUNTY: Arapahoe	CITY: Littleton	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1426
		TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-16-3-06-011		
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Oasis Lounge		OWNER: MCCAUGHEY, BRUCE 5686 S SYCAMORE ST LITTLETON CO 80120		
ADDRESS: 5686 S SYCAMORE ST Littleton, CO 80120		TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 16 NW 1/4 SW 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Franzen Grocery		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
DISTRICT NAME: Littleton Main Street		BLOCK: 29 LOT(S): 1 P ADDITION: STATE ADDITION YR. OF ADDITION: 1889		
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 5 BY: Roger Whitacre	NEGATIVE NO.: 10	LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1920 SOURCE: Litt. Indep., 7-22-38	
			USE: PRESENT: Commercial-Saloon HISTORIC: Commercial-Grocery	
			CONDITION: EXCELLENT GOOD X FAIR DETERIORATING	
			EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR X MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE: Painted brick; window alterations; window box; awning.	
			CONTINUED YES X NO	
STYLE: Twentieth Century Commercial		STORIES: 1	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:	
MATERIALS: Brick		SQ. FOOTAGE: 1305	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY	
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story rectangular brick building with flat roof with slight parapet on front. Walls composed of brick; sill course; smooth panel across upper front wall originally held store sign. Metal awning suspended above off-center entrance with slab door (transom stuccoed over). Adjacent to entrance is large window opening, now mostly covered with wood paneling creating small horizontal window; clerestory area painted over; flower box along sill. Segmental arched window visible on south wall.		INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO		
		CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: X YES NO		
		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No		
		NAME: DATE:		
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE:		
		IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:		
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO		CONTINUED? YES X NO		

PLAN SHAPE: 	ARCHITECT: Unknown SOURCE: <hr/> BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown SOURCE:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1426 ORIGINAL OWNER: Cornelius Franzen SOURCE: Litt. Independent, 7-22-38 THEME(S): Colorado Town Form in Early Auto Era, 1920-45		
CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE): <div style="text-align: right;">CONTINUED YES X NO</div>				
HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE): Cornelius Franzen erected this building as a grocery store in 1920. He lived in the house immediately north of this building. Franzen was born in Germany in 1866 and married Louise Theys in Denver in 1900. In the 1905 city directory, Franzen is indicated as operating a saloon at 38 Main St., the First and Last Chance Saloon. The coming of Prohibition may have prompted him to switch to the grocery trade. Franzen Grocery continues to be listed at this address in 1932 and 1939. In 1953, Van's Grocery was located here, operated by Clarence C. Van DeVanter, who lived at that time in the house to the north. By 1955, the building had become a bar, Swede's Tavern. The building housed the Mecca Tavern in the 1959-1961 period. <div style="text-align: right;">CONTINUED YES X NO</div>				
SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW): <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES X REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS X ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS X CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT </td> </tr> </table>			ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES X REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION	HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS X ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS X CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: This building is associated with the history of commerce in Littleton, having been erected in 1920 as a grocery store. The building displays the brick construction popular for neighborhood groceries in the early twentieth century. <div style="text-align: right;">CONTINUED YES X NO</div>				
REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC): Arapahoe County Assessor records; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1921-1949; Littleton City Directories; Littleton Historical Museum, People and Places Index; Littleton Independent, 22 July 1938. <div style="text-align: right;">CONTINUED YES X NO</div>				
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